

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

POLICY DESCRIPTION FORM

Department/Group: District Attorney/Law & Justice Budget Code: AAA DAT
 Title: Deputy District Attorney (Position #77479)

PRIORITY: Rank 1 of 3 FUNDING: Full Year ☒ Other ☐ _____ Months

ITEM STATUS: Restoration ☒ Program Change ☐ Workload ☐

OPERATIONAL AND/OR FISCAL IMPACT: Clearly explain the impact on services (attach additional pages if required)

With the Central Court Expansion, the District Attorney's Office was given four additional attorney positions to handle the increased burden of courtroom appearances. We promptly hired for two of those positions from an existing list and initiated a new recruitment to fill the remaining positions. With the new administration of Mike Ramos, his previous position and that of the new Assistant District Attorney, Mike Risely, became open. Of the four open positions, three were lost in the round of budgetary cutbacks that came about this year. Although our recruitment was completed, the District Attorney imposed an internal hiring freeze as the budget position was being further evaluated, particularly as it related to the potential state cutbacks in grant positions. Although we had an open position, this precaution was taken to avoid going over budget.

We now have a better estimate and some clear answers as to our grant status. Additionally, as the internal assessment of needs in the office has continued with the new administration, we now feel that filling the open attorney position is appropriation at this time. This assessment, along with the contemplated transfer of some of our attorney staff, discloses a critical need in our desert division. Further, the assessment also discloses the further critical need for a Public Integrity Unit. These increasing pressures on our staffing result in our request to fill the position from the already existing list of qualified candidates. We have checked references, evaluated the candidates and are ready to make an offer to fill the position.

	2003-04	Ongoing 2004-05
APPROPRIATIONS		
Salaries & Benefits (attach additional page if required)	\$ 90,668	\$ 93,388

CLASSIFICATIONS		
Budgeted Staff	Title	Amount
1.0	Deputy District Attorney	90,668
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Services & Supplies

Other (specify) _____

Equipment

FIXED ASSETS	
Item	Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Reimbursements (specify) _____

Total:	\$ 90,668	\$ 93,388
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REVENUE (specify source)

_____	_____	_____
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Total:	\$	\$

LOCAL COST	\$ 90,668	\$ 93,388
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